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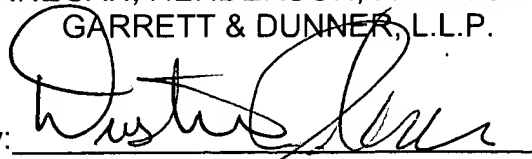
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the  
Office Action of June 9, 2003. A fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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